

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified patent application, as amended, is respectfully requested. Applicant herewith affirms the election of claims 1-13 with claims 14-17 being withdrawn from further consideration by the Examiner as drawn to a non-elected invention.

Claims 1-9, 12 and 13 have been rejected in view of the prior art and have been cancelled herewith.

Claim 10 has been indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and intervening claims. Thus, claim 10 has been amended accordingly.

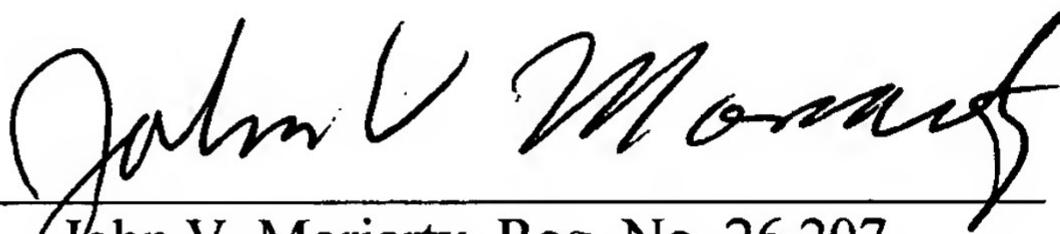
Claim 10 includes structure wherein the arm extends outwardly from the wheels and platform with the handle provided to move from a first position over one end of the platform when pushing the handle in a first direction to a second position over the opposite second end of the frame allowing the user to also push on the handle and move the platform in an opposite direction. This particular limitation has been included in amended claim 11. The prior art does not disclose a platform having a handle to allow the platform having a boom or arm extending outwardly therefrom to be moved in a direction across the surface and in the reverse direction while the handle is always pushed. The advantage of such a structure is that the user does not have to rotate the wheeled apparatus 180 degrees to reverse travel with the outlets positioned to the side of the platform preventing the sprayed material from contacting the wheels. This particular advantage that is not shown in the prior art was recognized by the applicant when the application was prepared as discussed on the bottom of page 2 and the top of the page 3

of the specification. A new claim 18 has been added to stress that the handle may be grasped and pushed, as contrasted to pulled, in opposite directions.

For the above reasons, it is believed the application is in condition for allowance and such action by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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